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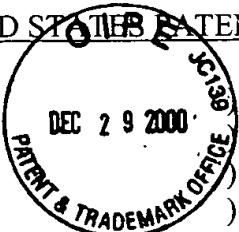
In re Application of:

Venkataraman BRINGI et al.

Application Number: 09/083,198

Filed: May 22, 1998

For: ENHANCED PRODUCTION OF TAXOL AND TAXANES BY CELL CULTURES
OF *TAXUS* SPECIES



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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the final Office Action mailed June 30, 2000 in the above-captioned application to extend the period for filing a Notice of Appeal up to and including December 30, 2000.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$890.00 to cover the fee for a three-month extension of time, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-1640.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 1-3, 6-21, and 24-72 as set forth in the final Office Action mailed June 30, 2000. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b), the Commissioner is authorized to charge \$310.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-1640.

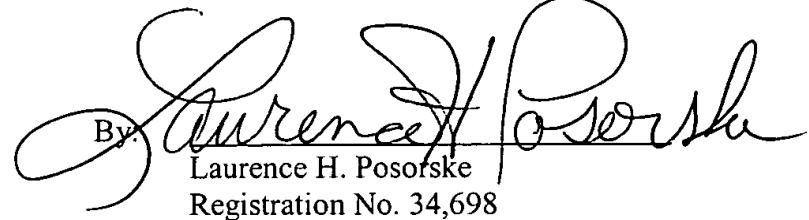
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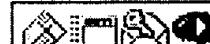
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